



Transfiguration of Jesus Catholic Church

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22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time
September 1, 2024

On the HORIZON

September 1 No First Sunday Breakfast
(Labor Day Weekend)

September 8
9:30 AM Faith Formation Classes Begins
Orientation for Students/Parents
9:40 AM Parish Hall Dedication

September 15
9:40 AM Dedication of the Seton House

Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Background on the Gospel Reading

This Sunday, our lectionary returns to Mark's Gospel after a number of Sundays in which we heard the Bread of Life discourse from the Gospel of John. Recall that we focus on the Gospel of Mark in Lectionary Cycle B, but substitute John's report of the multiplication of the loaves and fishes for Mark's report of this event.

In today's Gospel, Mark provides a significant amount of information about the Jewish observance of ritual-purity laws. Most scholars believe that Mark includes this information because his audience includes Gentile Christians who have no knowledge or experience of these laws. We can infer, therefore, that many in Mark's community were not Jewish Christians.

In this Gospel, Mark addresses the question of which Jewish practices would also be observed in the newly emerging Christian community. This was a significant question for the early Christian Church, especially in communities that included both Jewish and Gentile converts to Christianity. We also hear this question addressed in the letters of Paul with regard to table fellowship. In Gospel passages such as the one today, we see the Gospel evangelists finding justification for a Christian practice distinct from Judaism in the remembrances of Jesus' teaching and the practice of his first disciples.

Jesus first criticizes the Pharisees for putting human tradition above God's Law. Here, Jesus is referring to the tradition of the elders, the teachings of the Pharisees, which extended the ritual-purity laws of Temple worship to everyday Jewish life. Jesus criticizes the Pharisees for making this tradition equal to and as binding as the Law of Moses.

Next, Jesus comments on the meaning behind the Pharisees' language of holiness—clean and unclean. Jesus teaches that a person is not defiled by the food that enters his or her body, but rather by sin that emerges from his or her words and actions. In this teaching, Jesus unmasks a deeper question behind the one posed to him by the Pharisees. The real issue is holiness, which is not found in external acts alone. Holiness comes from within and is evidenced in the actions and attitudes that emerge from a person's life.

If we read today's Gospel carefully, we will see a pattern in Jesus' teaching method that will be repeated in the weeks ahead. Jesus' first teaching is directed to the Pharisees who questioned him. Jesus' words are then directed to the crowd, teaching that a person is defiled by his or her words and actions, not by the food that he or she eats. In verses omitted in today's reading, we learn that Jesus returned home with his disciples, who in turn questioned him about what he had taught. The words we read at the conclusion of today's Gospel are addressed to Jesus' disciples. Mark's narrative shows several audiences for Jesus' teaching: his antagonists, the crowds, and Jesus' disciples. As we see in this reading, the words to the Pharisees are often words of challenge. The teaching to the crowds is often a general, sometimes cryptic, message. With the disciples, who often misunderstand Jesus' words, further explanation is offered about his message and its meaning.

Jesus' words challenge us as well. In our desire to show that we are holy, we might also give too much credence to externals, following rules without thinking about the intention behind them. Jesus reminds us that we do not make ourselves holy by our actions. Rather, we become holy when we allow God's Spirit to transform us. Our actions should be an expression of the conversion of our heart to God and to God's ways.

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Our Mission

To love and know more profoundly our Catholic faith, worship the Lord, minister to our members and to further spread our faith in the community.

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New Office Hours

Mon. 9-6 PM (Wallace)

Tue. Day-off

Wed. 9-12 NN (Goldsboro)

Wed. 2-6 PM (Magnolia)

Thur. 9-12 NN (Wallace)

3-6 PM (Goldsboro)

Fri. 9-12 PM (Wallace)

Call to make an appointment

Adoration

Mon. 6:00 – 7:00 PM

Thurs. 9:30-10:30 AM

Reconciliation

Thur. during Holy Hour

Sat. 4:30 PM or by appointment

Weekend Mass Schedule

Transfiguration of Jesus

Saturday 5:00 PM English

Sunday 8:30 AM English

10:30 AM Spanish

Santa Clara Mission

1:00 PM Spanish

Weekday Masses

Mon, Thurs-Fri 9:00 AM (Eng.)

Mon 7:00 PM (Esp.)

Wed (Santa Clara) 7:00 PM (Esp.)

The Pope's Monthly Intention (September)

For The Cry Of The Earth

Let us pray that each of us listens with our hearts to the cry of the Earth and of the victims of environmental disasters and the climate crisis, making a personal commitment to care for the world we inhabit.

Pastoral Care of the Sick

Prayer Tree Requests should be sent to all three committee members. This is to ensure that no prayer request goes unanswered. Also, please make sure that permission is given by the person or family needing prayer, to send out the request.

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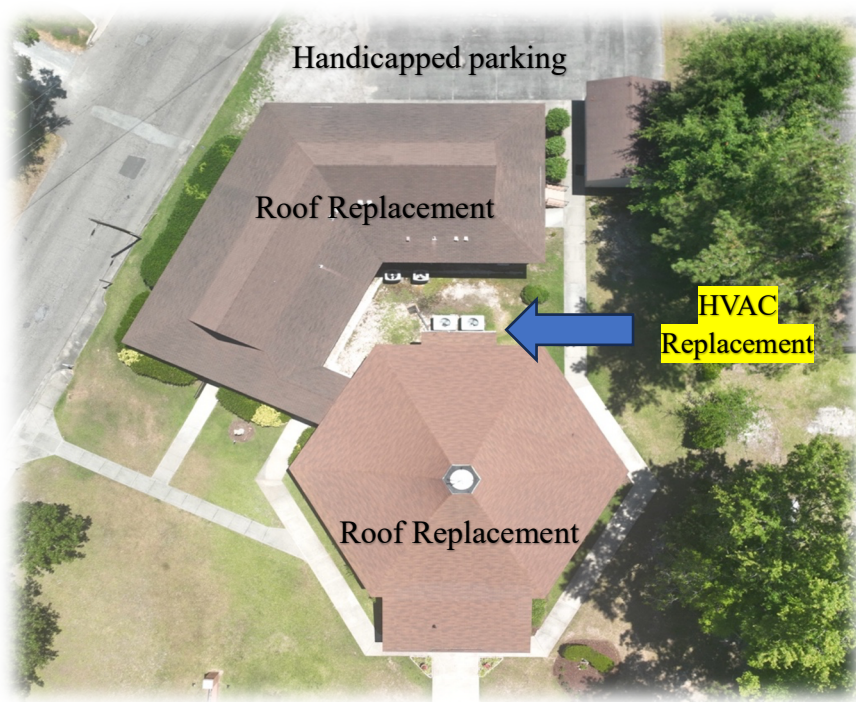
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Dear Jesus, we turn to You in the time of illness. O dearest Comforter alleviate our worry with your gentle love. We place our sick under Your care and humbly ask that You restore Your servants to health again. Above all, grant us the grace to acknowledge whatsoever you do, you do for the love of us.

Parish Capital Campaign – 75th Anniversary



If you are using the envelope marked capital campaign, don't forget to write your name or envelope number.

Parish Ministries & Committees

Faithful Citizenship (Series)

How Does the Church Help the Catholic Faithful to Speak About Political and Social Questions?

Doing Good and Avoiding Evil

24. Opposition to intrinsically evil acts, which undercut the dignity of the human person, should also open our eyes to the good we must do, that is, to our positive duty to contribute to the common good and to act in solidarity with those in need. As St. John Paul II said, “The fact that only the negative commandments oblige always and under all circumstances does not mean that in the moral life prohibitions are more important than the obligation to do good indicated by the positive commandment” (*Veritatis Splendor*, no. 52). Both opposing evil *and* doing good are essential obligations.

25. The right to life implies and is linked to other human rights—to the basic goods that every human person needs to live and thrive. All the life issues are connected, for erosion of respect for the life of any individual or group in society necessarily diminishes respect for all life. The moral imperative to respond to the needs of our neighbors—basic needs such as food, shelter, health care, education, and meaningful work—is universally binding on our consciences and may be legitimately fulfilled by a variety of means. Catholics must seek the best ways to respond to these needs. As St. John XXIII taught, “[Each of us] has the right to life, to bodily integrity, and to the means which are suitable for the proper development of life; these are primarily food, clothing, shelter, rest, medical care, and, finally, the necessary social services” (*Pacem in Terris*, no. 11).

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Human Life and Dignity

Life Line Sampson Fall Dinner for Life

Thursday, Oct 3rd 6-8 PM
Kyle’s Farm, 380 Ward Road, Harrells, NC

Join us for an evening of fellowship and a heart-warming message

from pro-life speaker Henry Jernigan!

Call 910-990-2794 to register for this event OR sign up at <https://llsfriends.org/events/fall-dinner>

Finance Committee (Monthly Financials)

	July Budget	July Actuals	July Expense
Offertory	\$	\$	
Maintenance	\$		
Others			
Total	\$	\$	\$
Net Revenue			

No report available yet for July 2024 due to the change of software throughout the Diocese.

September Food Pantry Requests

Food Pantry Donation, Pancake mix (just add water)
Pancake syrup, Macaroni & cheese
Vienna Sausage, Diced or Whole Tomatoes

Women of Transfiguration

All women of Transfiguration are invited to attend the next meeting on Tuesday, September 10 at 10 am in Founders Hall (previous Parish Hall). The agenda includes the regular meeting and a short talk by a social worker from Wallace Elementary School. The Women of Transfiguration will present her with the underwear and socks they have collected during the last few months.

Parish Pastoral Council

The parish hall from now on shall be known as the **FOUNDER’S HALL** in recognition of the vision and boldness of the families that started the Catholic Mission in the Duplin County.

The 504 E Main Street shall be known as **SETON HOME** – in honor of Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton, the first American Saint, founder of the first American parish school and Catholic Orphanage, and founder of the first American Religious Community of Women, the Sisters of Charity.

The official Dedication of the Founder’s Hall is on Sept. 8, 2024 after the 8:30 AM Mass. The dedication of the Seton House is on September 15 after the 8:30 AM Mass.

Weekly Schedule (August 31 – September 7)

Saturday			1 Cor 1:26-31/Mt 25:14-30
4:30 PM 5:00 PM	Confessions Vigil Mass (English) Nolan Family – Special Intention requested by Ed and Donna Schulz	Greeters: Transporter: Lectors: EMC: Altar Servers:	B Jaco B Jaco D Conte, C Partyka D Conte, C Partyka, J Ciuccoli M McCarthy
Sunday			22nd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Dt 4:1-2, 6-8/Jas 1:17-18, 21b-22, 27/Mk 7:1-8 21-23
8:30 AM	English Mass	Greeters: Transporter: Lectors: EMC: Altar Servers:	D Kusnierz, M Kusnierz T Vandiver K Mackey, T Vandiver V Matera, R Hirshkind, Deacon Mike Neil, Leah, Isaac
9:15 AM 10:30 AM	RCIA – Spanish Spanish Mass	Greeters: Transporter: Lectors: EMC: Altar Servers:	Jorge, Tino, Jorge, Elias, Valentin, Alberto Jorge, Tino, Jorge Josef, Dorian, Sofia, Jairo
Monday			1 Cor 2:1-5/Lk 4:16-30
9:00 AM 6:00 PM 7:00 PM	Mass (English) Adoration (Spanish) Mass (Spanish)		
Tuesday			Saint Gregory the Great, Pope and Doctor 1 Cor 2:10b-16/Lk 4:31-37
Wednesday			1 Cor 3:1-9/Lk 4:38-44
6:00 PM 7:00 PM	Adoration (Santa Clara - Spanish) Mass (Santa Clara – Spanish)		
Thursday			1 Cor 3:18-23/Lk 5:1-11
9:00 AM 9:30 AM	Mass (English) Adoration/Morning Prayer		
Friday			1 Cor 4:1-5/Lk 5:33-39
9:00 AM	Mass (English)		
Saturday			1 Cor 4:6b-15/Lk 6:1-5
4:30 PM 5:00 PM	Confessions Vigil Mass (English)		

